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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND/OR ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action mailed January 24, 2006, which sets forth an election of inventions requirement. In response to the election of inventions requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, Claims 1-19 without traverse. This provisional election does not necessarily reflect agreement with or acquiescence to the Examiner's conclusions reflected in the Office Action.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that no fee is due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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